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In re Application of: Michael J. Sullivan, et al **GOLF BALL WITH SOFT CORE** For:

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10/077,148

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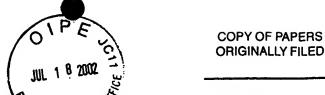
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Title

Golf ball with soft core

Preliminary Class

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Michael J. Sullivan, Thomas J. Kennedy, III, John L. Nealon

and Kevin J. Shannon

For (title): GOLF BALL WITH SOFT CORE

- 1. Type of Application This new application is for a(n) XX Continuation
- 2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. 119(e), 120, or 121): This application is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 09/724,156, filed November 28, 2000.
- 3. Papers Enclosed That Are Required for Filing Date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application
 - 42 Pages of specification 6 Pages of claims 1 Page of Abstract

 13 Sheets of drawing (FIGURES 1 17)

 XX formal informal
- 4. Additional papers enclosed: Application Data Sheet
- 5. Declaration or oath XX Enclosed (from parent)
- 6. Inventorship Statement The inventorship for all the claims in this application are: \underline{X} the same.
- 7. Assignment
 - XX assignment of the invention to <u>SPALDING SPORTS WORLDWIDE</u>, <u>INC.</u> was recorded on 12/29/98 in reel/frame 9674/0432.
 - is attached with a separate "RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET PATENTS ONLY"

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Independent						
Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)) 3 -	3	=	0	х	\$ 84.00	0.00
Multiple dependent claim(s),						
if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+	\$ 0.00	0.00
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9. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

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X Basic filing fee

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TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED

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For: GOLF BALL WITH SOFT CORE

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

(IMPROPER CHARGE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT)

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund, with respect to the charge to Deposit Account 17-0150, shown on the statement dated March 2002, for the above-identified

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A copy of the monthly statement, in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

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AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED

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and/or						
Surcharge for filing the oath or declaration on a date later						
than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))						
Extension of time						
XX Excess claims	<u>\$1,068.00</u>					
Issue fee						
Petition fee						
Patent Maintenance fee						
first maintenance fee						
second maintenance fee						
third maintenance fee						
Patent maintenance fee surcharge						
Other						

TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED

\$1,068.00

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

This application was filed on February 15, 2002 with payment for 3 independent claims and 20 total claims. This application was filed as a Continuation application of U.S. Application No. 09/724,156 filed November 28, 2000 (which is a continuation of 09/299,416). Original claims 1 – 37 of Application No. 09/299,416 were canceled in a Preliminary Amendment filed in the immediate parent to this application, Application No. 09/724,156, and new claims 38 – 65 were added. Applicant has received a Notice of Allowance for U.S. Application No. 09/724,156, allowing claims 38 – 65.

The Preliminary Amendment filed with U.S. Application No. 10/077,148 requested the cancellation of claims 38 - 65, the claims pending in the parent application, and the addition of

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new claims 66 - 85. Claims 66 - 85 include 3 independent claims and 20 total claims. Applicant did not request the cancellation of claims 1 - 37 since the claims were cancelled in the Preliminary Amendment filed with U.S. Application No. 09/724,156, and thus were not part of the parent application. Applicant has been overcharged for the original claims 1 - 37, in the amount of \$1,068.00. The proper charge should have been \$740.00, as stated on the transmittal (copy attached).

Applicant respectfully requests the refund of \$1,068.00.

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by

XX crediting Account No. 17-0150

__ crediting credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization

form PTO-2038

__ refunding payment

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Date: May 30, 2002

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